THE HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE L.NARASIMHA REDDY

WRIT PETITION No.28179 of 2005

Dated: 02-01-2006

Between:

Mother Theresa School of Nursing.

.. PETITIONER

AND

The Director of Medical Education, Government of Andhra Pradesh, and another.

.. RESPONDENTS

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ORDER:

The petitioner is a school of Nursing. It admitted candidates into the course of Nursing for the academic year 2005-06. The petitioner states that it submitted a list of admitted candidates on 19-09-2005 to the second respondent for approval. Its complaint is that the second respondent has not taken any action thereon. Having waited sufficiently, the petitioner made a representation on 04-10-2005. No action said to have been taken thereon. This writ petition is filed seeking appropriate directions.

Heard the learned counsel for the petitioner and the learned Government Pleader for Medical and Health.

The admissions made by private nursing schools into the concerned courses are required to be approved by the District Medical and Health Officer of the concerned District, duly verifying the eligibility of the candidates and the approved strength of the institution. It is only the approved candidates, that would be entitled to take the examinations.

The petitioner submitted the list of approved candidates way back on 19-05-2005. The second respondent ought to have acted promptly and communicated his decision within few weeks thereafter. There does not exist any justification in keeping the matter pending, for such a long time, that too even after the petitioner made a representation on 04-10-2005.

Hence, the writ petition is disposed of, directing the second respondent to communicate his decision, on the list of candidates submitted by the petitioner, within a period of two weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. In default, the first respondent shall undertake verification of the same and initiate necessary action against the second respondent, for the lapses in this regard. There shall be no order as to costs.

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02-01-2006

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